

SOUTH A MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY – June 23rd, 2015

I. Call to Order

The South A Municipal Advisory Committee (South A MAC) was called to order at **6:32 p.m.** on **June 23rd, 2015** at the Deerwood Bonita Lakes Park, 14445 SW 122nd Avenue, Miami, FL 33186. Chairperson Wilbur Bell led those present in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call/Introductions

The following South A Municipal Advisory Committee Members were **present**:

- Wilbur Bell – Committee Chairperson
- Edward Bullard
- Kathy Charles – Committee Secretary
- JL Demps, Jr. Committee Vice-Chairperson
- Juana Murillo

The following South A Municipal Advisory Committee Member was **not present**:

- Dan Millott

The following Miami-Dade County MAC Support Staff were present:

- Gigi Bolt, Office of Management and Budget
- Jorge Fernandez, Office of Management and Budget

III. Approval of the Agenda

Committee Secretary Kathy Charles moved to **approve** the June 23rd, 2015 South A MAC Agenda and Committee Vice-Chair JL Demps, Jr. seconded the motion. **The motion carried unanimously.**

IV. Public Comment

Chairperson Bell opened the floor for Public Comment and those who wished to speak were asked to provide their name and address for the record. A few members of the audience addressed the Committee and raised various issues and concerns. The comments provided by the public covered the following areas:

- *Question regarding the development of a budget for the potential municipality that covers several budget years to try and forecast long-term viability.*
- *Compliments on how well the MAC process has been organized to allow full participation of the residents and to carefully consider the viability of incorporation.*
- *Inquiries on federal entitlements and discussion on the need to be mindful of other sources of income which may be accessible by the new municipality, i.e. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, other federal funding etc. Some individuals urged that where possible those funding sources should be included in the pro-forma budget development.*

Mr. Jorge Fernandez, Office of Budget and Management, provided some additional information on how the CDBG funds are received and eligibility for other types of funding sources. He also reminded those in

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attendance that certain Federal/State allocations can change from year to year, which may be problematic to include in this type of Pro-Forma Budget process.

Committee Secretary Kathy Charles advised residents that the pro-forma Budget that was being worked on in the MAC process was intended as an initial Budget year view and any new municipality would then have to determine if the Budget process utilized would be a multi-year prospective to include broader considerations like capital projects, bonds etc.

V. Approval of the Minutes – April 28th, 2015

Ms. Gigi Bolt, Office of Budget and Management advised that the April 28th, 2015 South A MAC Meeting Minutes would be placed on the July Agenda for approval.

VI. Discussion Item – Work on Pro-Forma Budget

Committee Member Juana Murillo provided a brief summary of the continued pro-forma budget development process. She acknowledged the assistance received from the Office of Management and Budget Staff in compiling the preliminary numbers. The Ad Valorem Taxes used the info from the June 1 Preliminary Tax Roll information and a flat millage rate of 1.9283 mil to calculate estimates for that revenue and can be updated as final numbers are released. Committee Member Juana Murillo then directed members as they proceeded to go through each line item of the ***South MAC A Pro Forma – June 23rd*** chart. Some of the assumptions made for the development of the figures were identified as well as which municipalities, e.g. North Miami, Miami Gardens and Palmetto Bay, were used as reference points. She advised that in some case averages of the three municipalities were used or a single City was used to help arrive at a budget allocation.

Several Committee members once again expressed appreciation for the work that has been done by Committee Member Juana Murillo.

VII. New Business

Mr. Jorge Fernandez, Office of Budget and Management, advised that he anticipated having a South A MAC Draft Conceptual Agreement for the Members' consideration at the next meeting.

VIII. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 28th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the same location.

IX. Adjournment

Committee Member Edward Bullard moved to **adjourn** the meeting and Committee Vice-Chairperson DL Demps seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The MAC meeting adjourned at **7:42 pm**.